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The Committee noted the continuing risks to international peace and security by nuclear proliferation and re-emphasized the urgency and importance of achieving the universality of the Treaty, particularly by the accession to the Treaty at the earliest possible date of those States possessing nuclear capabilities. States parties renewed their commitments to make determined efforts to achieve this goal. They also supported proposals to establish nuclear-weapon-free zones in parts of the world where they do not exist, such as the Middle East and South Asia, on the basis of arrangements freely arrived at among the States of the regions concerned as a measure towards the strengthening of the nuclear non-proliferation regime and to realizing the objectives of nuclear disarmament.

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